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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re application of: |) | Examiner: Ramsey Refai |
| Blair, et al. |) | |
| |) | Art Unit: 3627 |
| Serial No.: 09/992,666 |) | |
| |) | Confirmation No.: 8495 |
| Filed: November 19, 2001 |) | |
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| For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR |) | Attorney Docket No.: |
| GATHERING DATA USING AUTOMATIC |) | 10013014-1 |
| APPLIANCE FAILOVER |) | |

STATUS INQUIRY REGARDING PETITION TO DIRECTOR FILED 11-10-08

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

A "Petition to Director under 37 CFR 1.181 and Petition from Requirement for Restriction (37 CFR 1.144)" was filed on November 10, 2008. On February 19, 2009, a final Office Action was issued by the U.S. PTO. To date, we have received no response regarding the petition.

Kindly advise the undersigned of the present status of this petition.

Respectfully submitted,

MAR. 3, 2009
Date

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